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The Department of Hearing and Speech Sciences at the University of Maryland College Park (UMCP) invites applications for the President's Postdoctoral Fellowship Program (PPFP). Candidates with research and teaching interests in the areas of speech, language, and hearing sciences and disorders will be considered. The purpose of the PPFP Program is to support promising scholars who are committed to diversity in academia. We particularly encourage applications from members of groups historically underrepresented in the professoriate. Upon successful completion of the PPFP Program and review, the Fellowship may convert to a tenure-track Assistant Professor position.

We seek an active scholar with the potential to conduct cutting-edge research and innovative teaching interests in the area(s) of speech, language and/or hearing, and can include (but is not limited to) any of the following: motor speech disorders, pediatric audiology, age-related hearing loss, swallowing, voice disorders, neurodegeneration, augmentative and alternative communication, tinnitus, aural rehabilitation, developmental language disorders, cultural and linguistic diversity, auditory cognition, pediatric audiology, or autism and pragmatics.

The successful Fellow will be appointed for a one-year 12-month term beginning July 1, 2022, with the expectation of renewal for a second one-year term contingent on review. The Fellow will receive a starting stipend of \$58,000, health benefits, and \$10,000 for startup. In addition, Fellows will have access to laboratory space, office space with computer, library access, and other privileges at the University. The expectation is that the fellow would join one or more existing labs in the department and receive active mentorship from current faculty with the goal of later forging their own research program. During the term of appointment, the Fellow will be expected to focus primarily on research. In addition, the Fellow will teach one course (one semester only) per year, commensurate with their expertise. Highly experienced research and teaching mentors will meet with the Fellow regularly to provide guidance on developing a pedagogically sound teaching philosophy and plan, and improving the skills needed to pursue an academic research career, including proposal and manuscript writing, technical presentation skills, and any other areas identified by the Fellow or mentors. The Fellow will also participate in professional development opportunities developed by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs and the Office of Faculty Affairs.

Selected candidates will be invited to apply to the University's PPFP program on the basis of scholarly promise and the potential to contribute to the diversity of the UMCP community. Applicants must have completed their doctoral degree when the term of appointment commences (July 1, 2022). Expressions of interest or questions should be submitted to: HESP-family-postdoc@umd.edu. In addition, interested candidates should submit the following documents to HESP-family-postdoc@umd.edu by October 15, 2021:

1. Cover Letter, including identification of potential mentor(s)
2. Curriculum Vitae
3. Statement of Proposed Research Plan (2-3 pages)

4. Personal Statement that details your demonstrated commitment to diversity efforts and the mission of UMCP, and why you should be selected for this opportunity (1-3 pages)

5. Teaching Statement (1-2 pages)

Founded in 1856, University of Maryland, College Park is the state's flagship institution. Our 1,250-acre College Park campus is just minutes away from Washington, D.C., providing an opportunity for collaborations with researchers from the National Institutes of Health, Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, and the University of Maryland Medical School, as well as connections with the American Speech-Language Hearing Association. The Department of Hearing and Speech Sciences trains future researchers and clinicians through an undergraduate program, a MA in speech-language pathology (program ranked 16th in the nation by US News & World Report), a doctorate in clinical audiology (program ranked 10th in the nation), and a research-oriented PhD program. We have strong interdisciplinary collaborations with other units on campus, including the program in [Neuroscience and Cognitive Science](#), the [Maryland Language Science Center](#), the [Center for the Comparative and Evolutionary Biology of Hearing](#), the UMD [Brain and Behavior Institute](#), as well as the [University of Maryland Autism Research Consortium](#) and the [Maryland Cochlear Implant Center of Excellence](#). The University and department are committed to attracting and retaining outstanding and diverse faculty and staff that will enhance our stature of preeminence in our three missions of teaching, scholarship, and full engagement in our community, the state of Maryland, and in the world.